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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993) of 31 March 1993, has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 23 and 26 September 1993, there appear to have been 15 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 869.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(23-26 September 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
877	23 Sept.	0800	1335	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 helicopter departing Pale on an UNPROFOR-approved medical evacuation from Pale to Zvornik and return. The flight did not arrive in Zvornik and returned three and one half hours late to Pale. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Various Slow Low
878	23 Sept.	0924	0940	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 helicopter (registration T9-HAG) landing at Visca Quarry from an unknown location. A special flight had been approved to transport 13 passengers. Twenty-two passengers, however, actually got on board. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Slow Low
879	23 Sept.	1615	1642	United Nations military observers observed 17 passengers boarding an MI-17 helicopter at Tuzla. After the helicopter landed at Zenica, United Nations military observers counted only 14 passengers. The helicopter was then observed making an unscheduled take-off with the rest of the passengers on board. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	East Slow Low
880	24 Sept.	0913	0933	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft flying 10 kilometres east of Zenica. NATO fighters were sent to investigate and made contact with a white MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter continued to Tuzla where it landed next to another helicopter already on the ground. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	East Unknown Low
881	24 Sept.	1055	1118	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft 20 kilometres north-west of Mostar. NATO fighters were sent to investigate and made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes. The helicopter landed 15 kilometres south-west of Zenica and it was observed that boxes were being unloaded. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Croats.	Various Slow 1,000 feet
882	24 Sept.	1150	1204	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft flying 10 kilometres south-west of Gornji Vakuf. NATO fighters were unable to investigate due to operational reasons. AWACS lost contact 30 kilometres west of Mostar. This flight occurred on the border between areas controlled by the Bosnian Serbs and the Bosnian Croats.	South Slow 1,000 feet
883	24 Sept.	1320	1321	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter landing in a quarry 5 kilometres west of Vitez. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Croats.	North Slow Low

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884	24 Sept.	1450	1602	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft 5 kilometres south-east of Gorni Vakuf. NATO fighters investigated and made radar and visual contact with a white helicopter. The helicopter landed 10 kilometres west of Zenica. A few minutes later, it took off and flew to a position 30 kilometres west of Mostar. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Slow Low
885	25 Sept.	1525	1526	United Nations military observers inspected an UNPROFOR-approved flight of two MI-8 helicopters at Bradina, 25 kilometres south-west of Sarajevo. The helicopters were approved to fly from Visca Quarry to Bradina and return. After departing Bradina, the helicopters made an unauthorized landing at Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Slow Low
886	26 Sept.	1604	1631	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft 16 kilometres south-west of Zenica. NATO fighters investigated and made radar and visual contact with a white helicopter. The helicopter descended below the clouds, and visual contact was lost 20 kilometres west of Mostar. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Low Slow
887	26 Sept.	1522	1551	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft 25 kilometres north-west of Mostar. NATO fighters investigated and made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross on the tail. The helicopter descended below the clouds, and the fighters left for operational reasons. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Unknown Slow
888	26 Sept.	1639	1655	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter 18 kilometres west of Sarajevo. The fighters lost visual contact with the helicopter owing to clouds. AWACS continued radar coverage until the helicopter landed 20 kilometres south-west of Sarajevo. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Low Slow
889	26 Sept.	1514	1521	AWACS made radar contact with an aircraft 15 kilometres east of Jablanica. NATO fighters were unable to investigate owing to operational reasons. AWACS lost contact 25 kilometres north-east of Jablanica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Low Slow
890	26 Sept.	1432	1440	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 helicopter landing at Zenica hospital and taking off again a few minutes later. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Low Slow
891	26 Sept.	1742	1746	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 landing at Zenica hospital and taking off again a few minutes later. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Low Slow